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LETTER DATED 15 MAY 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BULGARIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

In reference to your note SPCP/1/92 (2) dated 3 April 1992, and upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit, enclosed herewith, the text of a report on the measures instituted by the Bulgarian Government in implementing the sanctions against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya imposed by resolution 748 (1992) of the Security Council (31 March 1992).

Your assistance will be highly appreciated in having this report circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Svetlomir BAEV
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex

REPORT ON THE MEASURES INSTITUTED BY THE BULGARIAN GOVERNMENT IN IMPLEMENTING THE SANCTIONS AGAINST THE SOCIALIST PEOPLE'S LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA

As a full-fledged and active member of the United Nations, the Republic of Bulgaria has always demonstrated its deep commitment to the lofty principles and goals of the United Nations Charter and its unreserved support to the efforts of the Security Council aimed at maintaining international peace and security.

Regarding the abolishment of international terrorism as a vital precondition for maintaining peace and security in the world, the Government of the Republic of Bulgaria wholeheartedly supported the adoption of resolution 748 (1992) of the United Nations Security Council on 31 March 1992.

On 22 April 1992, the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Bulgaria adopted Decree No. 68 on the implementation by the Republic of Bulgaria of resolution 748 (1992) of the United Nations Security Council (31 March 1992). By force of this decree, the Bulgarian Government instituted the following measures:

1. Prohibits take-off from, landing on and overflying of Bulgarian air space by any aircraft, regardless of its registration, which is bound for Libya or originates from Libyan territory, except in the case of a prior approval of a specific flight granted by the Committee established by force of paragraph 9 of resolution 748 (1992) of the United Nations Security Council.

The Bulgarian side discontinued as early as 14 April 1992, any flights operated by Bulgarian carriers to and from Libya; on 13 April 1992, it withdrew to Bulgaria the two aircraft, owned by the Bulgarian Air Via carrier, which had been operating scheduled flights on Libya's domestic airlines.

2. Prohibits the provision to Libya of aircraft or components thereof, the rendering of engineering services or maintenance to Libyan aircraft or components thereof, the issue of certificates of air navigability to Libyan aircraft, the repayment of new claims under existing insurance contracts and the conclusion of new direct insurance contracts to Libyan aircraft.

3. Suspends the operation of the office of the Libyan Arab Airlines in Sofia until the sanctions of the United Nations Security Council are lifted.

4. Prohibits the provision to Libya of armaments, ammunition, combat weaponry and accessories thereof; paramilitary police equipment and spare parts therefore.

5. Prohibits the provision to Libya of any kind of equipment and materials, as well as the granting of technological licences necessary for the manufacture or maintenance of the armaments and technology cited under paragraph 4.

6. Prohibits the rendering to Libya of technical assistance, consultations and personnel training necessary for the manufacture, maintenance or use of the armaments and technology cited under paragraph 4.

7. Prohibits Bulgarian civil servants or experts from taking up employment as military advisers to Libyan government bodies. (No such advisers have been in Libyan employment towards the date of entry into force of the sanctions.)

8. The above-cited prohibitions and restrictions apply to Bulgarian physical and legal persons as well as to foreign physical and legal persons engaged in business activity in Bulgarian territory.

9. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has required the Embassy of Libya in Sofia to decrease its diplomatic staff by one member.

10. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has imposed a regime of prior notification of the movements of members of the diplomatic staff and vehicles bearing diplomatic plates owned by the Libyan Embassy for their travels beyond a 30-km zone around Sofia.

11. The Ministry of the Interior and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs have been required to institute the necessary measures for the expulsion and non-admission into Bulgarian territory of Libyan citizens who have been refused access into, or expelled from, the territories of other States on account of their involvement in terrorist acts.

12. The prohibitions and restrictions cited in paragraphs 1 through 11 shall apply regardless of existing rights and obligations provided for, or imposed by, any international agreement or signed treaty, licence or permission granted prior to 15 April 1992.

13. The control of the enforcement of the prohibitions under paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 has been assigned to the Government Commission for the Regulation and Control of the Manufacture of and Trade in Military and Special-purpose Products.

The accession of the Republic of Bulgaria to the sanctions against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya imposed by resolution 748 (1992) of the Security Council will inevitably entail considerable economic, financial and material damages to Bulgaria. Therefore, in exercise of its right under Article 50 of the United Nations Charter, the Bulgarian Government will, in the near future, prepare and send to the Committee established by force of paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 748 (1992), a memorandum on the specific economic problems arising for the Republic of Bulgaria in consequence of the sanctions against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, and on the need to render assistance to the Bulgarian Government for eliminating these unfavourable consequences.